

COMMON COUNCIL
of the
CITY OF SYRACUSE

(11/07)

REGULAR MEETING – NOVEMBER 7, 2022

1:00 P.M.

1. *Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag – (Led by the Hon. Helen Hudson, President of the Syracuse Common Council)*
2. *Invocation – (Delivered by Reverend Alan Rudnick, Dewitt Community Church, Syracuse, New York)*
3. *Roll Call – (All Present – 9)*
4. *Minutes – October 24, 2022 – (Adopted 9 – 0)*
5. *Public Hearing – Relative to Agenda Item #10, “Authorize the Name Change of the “911 Memorial” at Sheridan Park to the “Deputy Chief HT Laun 911 Memorial”, pursuant to the Revised General Ordinance of the City of Syracuse Chapter 17, Article 5, Section 17:42-47.” (Public Hearing was held on Tuesday, November 1, 2022, at 5:30 P.M.) (NO APPEARANCES)*

Public Hearing – Relative to Agenda Item #11, “Authorize the Name Change of the “Fields” at Norwood Park to “John C. Smith, Jr. Fields”, pursuant to the Revised General Ordinance of the City of Syracuse Chapter 17, Article 5, Section 17:42-47.” (Public Hearing was held on Tuesday, November 1, 2022, at 5:30 P.M.) (IN FAVOR - Jeff Smith)

Public Hearing – Relative to Agenda Item #12, “Authorize the Name Change of the “Meachem Ice Arena” to “John F. Dunn Ice Arena at Meachem Park”, pursuant to the Revised General Ordinance of the City of Syracuse Chapter 17, Article 5, Section 17:42-47.” (Public Hearing was held on Tuesday, November 1, 2022, at 5:30 P.M.) (IN FAVOR - Jim Dunn and Mike Dunn)

Public Hearing – Relative to Agenda Item #30, “Amend Ord. #482, (07/11/2022), “Authorize – The D.P.W. 2022/2023 Unimproved Street Program (Slurry Seal), on behalf of the Department of Public Works as detailed in Appendix “A”, cost thereof to be charged to the premises fronting thereon. Total cost not to exceed \$1,500,000, from Account #541500.09.00525”. Amend to increase the amount not to exceed by \$26,824. Total cost not to exceed \$1,526,824.” (Public Hearing was held on Monday, November 7, 2022, at 1:00 P.M.) (NO APPEARANCES)

6. *Petitions – (None)*

7. *Committee Reports – (None)*

8. *Communications – (From the Hon. Nader Maroun, City Auditor, the Final Version of the Procurement Performance Audit – Internal Controls, Policies and Procedures, with Administration Response)*

NEW BUSINESS

BY PRESIDENT HUDSON:

WD 9. *Resolution - Approving the Appointment of Various Persons as Commissioners of Deeds for 2021/2022.* **WD**

BY COUNCILOR CALDWELL:

9-0 10. *Authorize – The Name Change of the “911 Memorial” at Sheridan Park to the “Deputy Chief HT Laun 911 Memorial”, pursuant to the Revised General Ordinance of the City of Syracuse Chapter 17, Article 5, Section 17:42-47. (Public Hearing was held on Tuesday, November 1, 2022, at 5:30 P.M).* **734**

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9-0 13. *Accept - From Onondaga County Health Department an in-kind donation of an accessible wheelchair charging station (valued at \$749) to be installed in a location along the Onondaga Creekwalk.* **737**

9-0 14. *Accept – The transfer of the State of New York land adjacent to the Inner Harbor, (formerly known as the Barge Canal lands) to the City, as detailed in Attachment “A” and “B”. The legislation will certify to the Commissioner of the NYS Office of General Services that the City will maintain the land and use it for public recreational purposes in accordance with Section 34 of the Public Lands Law. No cost to the City.* **738**

9-0 15. *Authorize – The Acquisition of easements as set forth on Appendix “A” and “B” from COR Development adjacent to the Inner Harbor, to maintain electric and water services to the lands to be acquired from NYS in the Inner Harbor.* **739**

- 9-0 16. *Agreement – With Fight for Hearts to provide instructors to deliver up to 48 hours of fitness for a Youth Fitness Program, at a rate of \$80 per instructor hour, to participants in the city-based after school recreation programs held at community centers, parks, or virtually, between October 1, 2022-June 30, 2023, on behalf of the Department of Parks, Recreation & Youth Programs. Total amount not to exceed \$3,840, charged to account #71400.01.541500.* **740**
- 9-0 17. *Inter-municipal Agreement – With Onondaga County Department of Health, on behalf of the City of Syracuse, to support a pilot program through the County Healthy Schools and Communities Initiative Program, that offers new healthy food and drink options at concession stands in City ice rinks, golf courses, and other locations, for the period of November 1, 2022-October 31, 2023. The County will help plan, develop, implement, provide new foods and beverage options, along with shelving and signage, at no cost to the City.* **741**
- 9-0 18. *Bond Ordinance - Authorizing the issuance and sale of bonds of the City of Syracuse to defray the cost of the 2022/2023 Capital Improvement Program - Parks Department Bandwagon & Mobile Stage Replacement Project. Total amount not to exceed \$100,000.* **742**
- 9-0 19. *Authorize – The 2022/2023 Capital Improvement Program - Bandwagon & Mobile Stage Replacement Project, on behalf of the Department of Parks, as detailed in Schedule “A”. Total amount not to exceed \$100,000.* **743**
- 9-0 20. *Bond Ordinance - Authorizing the issuance and sale of bonds of the City of Syracuse to defray the cost of the 2022/2023 Capital Improvement Program – Stone Walls and Steps Project. Total amount not to exceed \$300,000.* **744**
- 9-0 21. *Authorize - The 2022/2023 Capital Improvement Program – Stone Walls and Steps Project, to be used for repairs and restoration of stone retaining walls and steps to include Westminster, Edgehill, Schiller, and Lincoln Parks. Total amount not to exceed \$300,000.* **745**
- 9-0 22. *Purchase (w/c/b) – Agreement and purchase of equipment, with KJ Electric, to install, start-up and repair the drives and motor controls to the main pump at Clinton Square Fountain, on behalf of the Department of Parks Recreation & Youth Programs, for the period of November 1, 2022-June 1, 2023. Total cost not to exceed \$30,000 from Capital Account #07.70200.599807.700401019.* **746**

BY COUNCILOR GREENE:

- T 23. *Local Law – Amend the Tax and Assessment Act of the City of Syracuse, Section 19-48.1(8) and Section 19-70(1) and it relates to installment payments of delinquent taxes. The amendment will remove the minimum require payment of 10% of the delinquent tax amount and amend the term of installment payment to a maximum of 60 months.* **T**

24. *Approve - Settlement of Tax Certiorari Proceedings – 235, Walton, LLC vs. The City of Syracuse, et.al. – Index Nos: 002984/2019, 003785/2020, 003481/2021 & 002727/2022. For the property located at 239 Walton Street (Tax Map; No.: 101.-16-03.1), (\$41,543.45) – Tax Years: 2019, 2020, 2021 & 2022, relative to assessed value as detailed in the legislation. Total County settlement is \$10,643.16.* **747**
25. *Agreement – With Spectrum Business, for the upgrade of existing internet services accounts for DPW and Water, as detailed the legislation. Total cost not to exceed \$2,300 annually, charged to IT Account #01.90000.595860.* **748**
26. *Amend – Ord. #392 (06/21/2022), “Appropriate Funds - From the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 in an amount not to exceed \$50,000 and enter into a professional service agreement with ERPOne, on behalf of the Bureau of Information Technology, for AS400 retirement and conversion services. The Mayor waived the RFP process”. Amend agreement to expire February 3, 2023, and increase the total cost not to exceed to \$90,000 from ARPA Funds - Accounts #800069321 and #541500.01.168000.* **749**
27. *Correct Tax Rolls - (540 State Fair Boulevard Rear, 574 State Fair Boulevard Rear, 101-239 Salina Street North to Clinton Street North, 1081 Salina Street South to Montgomery Street, 1202-1204 McBride Street South and Taylor Street to change assessment for tax year 2022/2023), as detailed in Appendix “A”.* **750**

BY COUNCILOR GETHERS:

28. *Amend – Ord. #481, (07/11/2022), “Authorize – The appropriation of funds from Unallocated Cash Capital in an amount not to exceed \$1,500,000, for the 2022/2023 Unimproved Street Program (Slurry Seal) on behalf of the Department of Public Works, as detailed in Appendix “A”, from Account #541500.09.00525. Amend to increase the amount not to exceed by \$26,824. Total cost not to exceed \$1,526,824. (Public Hearing to be held on Monday, November 7, 2022, at 1:00 P.M.) (NO APPEARANCES)* **751**
29. *Amend – Ord. #482, (07/11/2022), “Authorize – The D.P.W. 2022/2023 Unimproved Street Program (Slurry Seal), on behalf of the Department of Public Works as detailed in Appendix “A”, cost thereof to be charged to the premises fronting thereon. Total cost not to exceed \$1,500,000, from Account #541500.09.00525”. Amend to increase the amount not to exceed by \$26,824. Total cost not to exceed \$1,526,824. (Public Hearing to be held on Monday, November 7, 2022, at 1:00 P.M.) (NO APPEARANCES)* **752**
30. *Agreement - With the Onondaga County Resource Recovery Agency (OCRRA) for use of OCRRA’S Solid Waste Management System (Hauler Agreement) for one-year from January 1, 2023-December 31, 2023, with a tipping fee of \$100 per ton or \$96 per ton for prompt payment. The recycling tipping fee is \$34 per ton.* **753**

31. *Appropriate Funds – From the 2022/2023 Unallocated Cash Capital Account #599007.01.99999 in the amount not to exceed \$75,470, on behalf of the Department of Public Works, to purchase a 2022 Wheel Loader Grinder Bucket.* **754**
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32. *Bond Ordinance - Authorizing the issuance and sale of bonds of the City of Syracuse to defray the cost of the 2022/2023 Department of Public Works Capital Improvement Plan-Traffic Management Center Infrastructure Upgrades Program. Total amount not to exceed \$80,000.* **755**
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33. *Authorize – The 2022/2023 Department of Public Works Traffic Management Center Infrastructure Upgrades Program, to replace out of warranty and functionally obsolete equipment and tools in the Traffic Management Center (TMC), as detailed in Schedule “A”. Total amount not to exceed \$80,000.* **756**
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34. *Accept - The Road Reconstruction of the City-owned 24” combined sewer located in Madison Street between Almond Street and Irving Avenue, from the New York State Dormitory Authority (DASNY) and the Office of Mental Health (OMH), which is being completed as part of the DASNY and OMH Project #345170. No cost to the City.* **757**
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BY COUNCILOR SCHULTZ:

35. *Application & Agreement - To and with the United States Department of Transportation, for the 2021/2022 Strengthening Mobility and Revolutionizing Transportation (SMART) grant, in an amount not to exceed \$2,000,000 for an 18-month planning and demonstration phase, The City will use smart technologies and systems such as traffic signal technology and sensors to create safer transportation system for vehicles, bikes, scooters, and pedestrians. No local match required.* **758**
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BY COUNCILOR HOGAN:

36. *Adopt - The Final Generic Environmental Impact Statement (FGEIS) Document for ReZone Syracuse – A Citywide Zoning Update, pursuant to the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA). The City is proposing to adopt a new Zoning Ordinance and map to replace, in its entirety, the existing City of Syracuse Zoning Rules and Regulations, as amended, and its accompanying map.* **759**
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37. *Amend – Ord. #100 (03/14/2022) “Authorize - An Exemption Agreement with Creekside Landing Housing Fund Corporation (“the Corporation”) pursuant to Section 573 and Section 577 of Article 11 of the New York Private Housing Finance Law and Section 402 of the New York Not-For-Profit Corporation Law, to construct 66 affordable housing units at scattered sites (detailed in the legislation) throughout the City, a critical element of the Resurgent Neighborhoods Initiative. The term would be for the period of fifteen (15) years and each year based on 10% of the difference between gross rent minus utilities, or \$33,000, whichever is greater”. Amend to reduce the number of affordable housing units to be constructed to 52 units. The new list of properties is detailed in the legislation. All other terms and condition remain the same.* **760**
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38. *Appropriate Funds - From the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARPA) in an amount not to exceed \$444,400, to establish a revolving loan fund to provide financial capital to support designated Disadvantage Business Enterprises (DBE's) known as the DBE One Stop Initiative and enter into an agreement with SEDCO.* **761**
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39. *Agreement – With SEDCO, to establish a revolving loan fund to provide financial capital to support designated Disadvantage Business Enterprises (DBE's) known as the DBE One Stop Initiative. SEDCO will work with the City and County to implement the One Stop Initiative that is designed to recruit, assess, train, mentor, and provide capital, while facilitating consistent work opportunities for minority-owned firms within the Construction sector. The program includes a 10% administrative fee. The effective startup date is January 1, 2023.* **762**
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40. *Agreement – With Greater Syracuse Property Development Corporation, to allow the Land Bank's employees and agents access to the property at 500 Hawley Avenue and North Crouse Avenue (SBL.030.-03-01.0), to prepare for and perform Phase II environmental field work, to expire March 31, 2023, funded by EPA. The property is the former Patrick's Cleaners and is a suspected brownfield.* **763**
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41. *Special Permit - To approve an Indoor Amusement and Recreation located at 333 South Salina Street. At the Planning Commission meeting no one spoke in favor or in opposition to the proposal. There were no waivers. Acropolis Center, LLC c/o Ryan Benz. Owner/applicant.* **Gen. #20**

BY COUNCILOR MAJOK:

42. *Application & Agreement – To and with NYS Division of Criminal Justice Service (DCJS), under the Community Policing Services (COPS) Crisis Intervention Teams Program, in an amount not to exceed \$50,000. Funds will be used for training for Anti-Violence Initiative in the Police Activity League (PAL) to assist PAL with the purchase of equipment, uniform, field trips, registration fees, marketing and other associated expense. No local match required.* **764**
- 9-0

BY COUNCILOR ALLEN:

43. *Sell – All right, title, and interest of the City of Syracuse in and to the premises known as 720 Alvord Street North, a wood house, to the Greater Syracuse Property Development Corporation for the total sum of \$151. (District 1)* **765**
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44. *Sell – All right, title, and interest of the City of Syracuse in and to the premises known as 817-819 Emerson Avenue, a vacant lot, to the Greater Syracuse Property Development Corporation for the total sum of \$151. (District 2)* **766**
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- WD** 45. *Sell – All right, title, and interest of the City of Syracuse in and to the premises known as 140 Mary Street, a wood house & barn, to the Greater Syracuse Property Development Corporation for the total sum of \$151. (District 1)* **WD**
- 9-0** 46. *Sell – All right, title, and interest of the City of Syracuse in and to the premises known as 906 Montgomery Street, a vacant lot, to the Greater Syracuse Property Development Corporation for the total sum of \$151. (District 4)* **767**
- 9-0** 47. *Sell – All right, title, and interest of the City of Syracuse in and to the premises known as 109 Oberst Street, a vacant lot, to the Greater Syracuse Property Development Corporation for the total sum of \$151. (District 1)* **768**
- 9-0** 48. *Sell – All right, title, and interest of the City of Syracuse in and to the premises known as 111 Ostrander Avenue East, a vacant lot, to the Greater Syracuse Property Development Corporation for the total sum of \$151. (District 3)* **769**
- 9-0** 49. *Sell – All right, title, and interest of the City of Syracuse in and to the premises known as 114 Randall Avenue, a vacant lot, to the Greater Syracuse Property Development Corporation for the total sum of \$151. (District 3)* **770**
- H** 50. *Sell – All right, title, and interest of the City of Syracuse in and to the premises known as 214 State Street North & Willow Street East, a brick building, to the Greater Syracuse Property Development Corporation for the total sum of \$151. (District 1)* **H**
- 9-0** 51. *Sell – All right, title, and interest of the City of Syracuse in and to the premises known as 109 Stevens Place, a vacant lot, to the Greater Syracuse Property Development Corporation for the total sum of \$151. (District 4)* **771**

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Adjourned at 1:16 PM